

Region 1 Works Council

Meeting Minutes

February 14, 2014

8:30am - Center for Workforce Innovation - Valparaiso

I. Welcome

Present: Kristin Emaus, Gary Norgren, Joseph Arredondo, Debra Howe (via telephone), Linda Randolph, Linda Woloshansky, Eddie Melton, Monica Conrad, Martin Beran, Don Koliboski and Mike Zimerman.

II. Approval of Meeting Minutes for 11/22/13,1/13/14 and 1/24/14

An electronic vote was taken to approve minutes for 11/22/13 (with one minor correction), 1/13/14, and 1/24/14. The motion was made by Debra Howe and seconded by Eddie Melton and approved with majority vote. The Council ratified the electronic vote.

III. Early College Model Plans at Hammond Career Center

Mike Zimmerman reviewed the partnership between Vincennes University and Hammond Career Center. The collaboration is an early college model that is one of few similar models with the State that focuses on providing student with an associate degree before they leave high school.

Brief review of Innovative Career and Technical Education Curriculum Grant Application Guidelines

The Council review components of the grant application guidelines. By consensus, the Council agreed that the next meeting on February 14, 2014 would be devoted to this topic.

IV. Continue Brainstorming ideas to address the following Career Council strategic objectives:

The Council reviewed issues of to address the shortage of qualified workers for current employment opportunities; ideas to prepare Indiana's Workforce, Students, and incumbent workers for high-value jobs of the future; and ideas for making Indiana a leader in STEM talent development and employment opportunities.

V. Review and Assignments

Council members were reminded to review Grant Application Guidelines for next meeting.

VI. Next Meeting:

It was agreed that the next meeting would be February 20, 2014 at 9:30 am at CWI – Valparaiso. This meeting will be dedicated entirely to discussion of innovative CTE curriculums in Region 1 which may meet the requirements to be considered for grant application